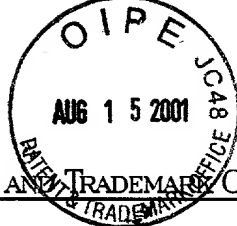




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## FORMALITIES LETTER



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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The application was filed in a language other than English. Applicant is required to provide an English translation of the specification and a statement that the translation is accurate. (See 37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- Applicant must file an English translation of the application, the \$ 130 fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 260.**
- Because your specification was filed in a language other than English, the Office was unable to determine the number of claims submitted. Additional claim fees may be due once the number of claims can be determined.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing figures contain text that is not in English (including, for example, a flow chart that was originally not in English that has been marked up to include the English text) see 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) and 37 CFR 1.52(d)(1);

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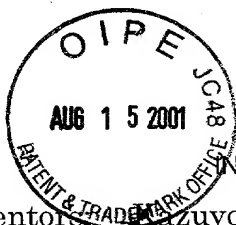
*A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.*

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor: Tadayoshi Takeda, et al.

Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned

Serial No.: 09/838,490

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

Filed: April 19, 2001

Title: AUTOMATED EVALUATION SYSTEM AND PROGRAM

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this transmittal and the documents referred as attached hereto, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class mail in an envelope addressed to Box Missing Part, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on this date.

Date: August 10, 2001

*Virginia Silva*  
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COMPLETION OF FILING REQUIREMENTS AND  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (IF APPLICABLE)

Box Missing Parts  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

This is in response to the Notice To File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed June 15, 2001. A copy of the notice is enclosed.

☒ Enclosed is the original declaration of the applicant for filing in the above-identified patent application. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-2746 in the amount of \$130.00 for the late fee charge under 37 CFR 1.16(e). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required relative to filing of this paper and during the pendency of this application to Account No. 19-2746, required under 37 CFR 1.16(a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), as well as for any petition required under 37 CFR 1.17(h). Enclosed is an extra copy of this transmittal letter for the purpose of making this charge.

This is also a petition for an extension of time for a total period of \_\_\_\_ months to respond to the Office Letter mailed on \_\_\_\_ for completion of filing requirements. A response required in connection with the matter for which the extension is requested is being filed herewith.

Calculation of extension fee	Total Months Requested	Fee
<input type="checkbox"/>	(1) One Month	\$110.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	(2) Two Months	\$390.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	(3) Three Months	\$890.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	(4) Four Months	\$1390.00

☐ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor together with authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 19-2746 for any additional extension fee.

☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time. Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-2746 for the extension fee.

☒ Enclosed is an English Translation of the application and accompanying verification. Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-2746 in the amount of \$130.00 for the English Translation filing fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i). Enclosed is an extra copy of this transmittal letter for the purpose of making this charge.

☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-2746 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the additional claim fee set forth in Section 2 of the notice. Enclosed is an extra copy of this transmittal letter for the purpose of making this charge.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Summary of Total Fees:	Declaration Late Filing Fee:	\$130.00
	Extension Fee:	\$
	English Translation Fee:	\$130.00
	Additional Claim Fee:	\$
	Total:	\$260.00

- ☐ Enclosed is a set of drawings consisting of \_\_\_\_\_ sheets in compliance with 37 CFR §1.84.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any over-payment to Deposit Account 19-2746.

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Respectfully submitted,



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Date: August 10, 2001